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SUBJECT: ALGERIAN COMPUTER MARKET AND POSSIBLE USDOCSPONSORED RESEARCH

- 1. COMMERCE IS CONSIDERING INCLUDING ALGERIA AMONG COUNTRIES TO BE STUDIED BY CONTRACT MARKET RESEARCHERS AS PART OF GLOBAL MARKET SURVEY (GMS) OF COMPUTERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT WHICH WILL BE UNDERTAKEN DURING FY 1976.
- 2. THOUGH AVAILABLE TRADE STATISTICS DO NOT INDICATE SIZEABLE ALGERIAN COMPUTER MARKET, WE BELIEVE THAT POTENTIAL FUTURE MARKET IS ATTRACTIVE AND MAY BE WORTH THE EXPENSE OF RESEARCH CONTRACT. INDICATIONS OF POTENTIAL MARKET COME MAINLY FROM CONVERSATIONS BY COMMERCE STAFF WITH BUSINESS VISITORS AND POST OFFICERS, POST'S BEST PROSPECTS LIST, AND EVIDENT INTEREST SHOWN IN U.S. COMPUTER INDUSTRY BY COMMISSARIAT NATIONAL A 1'INFORMATIQUE WHOSE REPS VISITED U.S. COMPUTER SHOW IN MAY AND WHOSE DIRECTOR PLANS AUTUMN U.S. VISITUNFORTUNATELY COMMERCE
- 3. IN ORDER DETERMINE WORTH OF INCLUDING ALGERIA AS PART OF GMS, WE NEED INFORMATION ON ALGERIA'S COMPUTER EXPANSION PLANS. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION POST CAN DEVELOP UNCLASSIFIED

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FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH CNI OFFICIALS, ALGERIAN IMPORT STATISTICS AND PROJECTIONS, ETC. WE RECOGNIZE TEMPORARY POST STAFFING RESTRICTIONS AND ARE NOT REQUESTING FORMAL

DESK STUDY; HOWEVER, WITHOUT SOME SUPPORTIVE DATA, ALGERIA CANNOT BE INCLUDED ON GMS. INGERSOLL

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